

# BE SHARPS SMART!

**DO NOT** place sharps in  
the garbage or recycling

**IT'S AGAINST THE LAW!**



Needles, syringes, lancets and auto-injectors can pose a health risk to the community, waste collection staff and Waste Recovery Centre employees who hand sort your recyclables.

***It is also against Municipal Waste Management By-Laws to place sharps out for collection.***

Whether the sharps have been used for personal use or with pets they must be disposed of properly and never mixed with garbage or recycling.

To properly dispose of sharps:



## **DO NOT place sharps in the garbage or recycling.**

Because recyclables are hand sorted, it puts staff at risk for injury.



Contact your local pharmacy about safe sharps disposal. Most pharmacies offer sharps containers and disposal services free of charge. For additional drop off locations, visit [www.healthsteward.ca](http://www.healthsteward.ca).

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If your local pharmacy does not offer sharps disposal services or you are using sharps for your pets, place sharps in a puncture-proof container such as a plastic laundry detergent bottle. Secure the lid and label.



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Bring the container to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre's Household Hazardous Waste Depot located at 1076 Woito Station Road for safe disposal.

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Household Hazardous Waste Depot is open to residents of Petawawa, Pembroke, Laurentian Valley, and North Algona Wilberforce.



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